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Mr. Frederick C. Loops
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(CENSOR'S STAMP)

Mr. Frederick C. Loops
4101-19th St., N.E.
Washington, D.C.
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Lt. Frank W. Loops, O-6675

(Sender's name)

432 Sqdn., 17th Bomb. Gp.
(Sender's address)

A.P.O. 520, Postmaster N.Y.C.

Sept. 10, 1943

(Date)

Hello, Joe,

Just a few minutes till it gets dark enough to go to the movies, so I'll shoot out a V-mail. - But I know I won't get to finish it - but will take off again early tomorrow morning before I take off otherwise. — Later - two days in fact! - And you're lucky I'm here today! - Yesterday another mission and today I was trying to get on a trip to Algiers, but that fell thru. - See, - I'm a busy man, at times. - Sometimes I loaf & others I can hardly keep up with myself!

I had a pleasant surprise when I got back yesterday. Found the package with my camera & candy had arrived, - both in good condition. - It sure made good time as the postmark was the 17th of August! - Don't know what happened to the other package mail earlier than you keep yapping about. - Guess it too will be there soon, now.

Sorry I can't fix Blondie up with the parachute. She's a little too close to the ground, in the bicycle basket, and before she could react, am afraid she would be on the ground. - Even the paratroopers have to be higher than that. - Tell you what we'll do. Next time I'm home, well take her up and kick her out from a couple of thousand feet. - Then we'll know whether she has the sense to pull the rip cord if given time for her reactions to set in! - I can hear her (and Marion) yelping now! - Boy - your vacation sure brought forth lots of letters. - Keep it up - and maybe I'll see what I can do with my nose!

V---MAIL

More later. Joe